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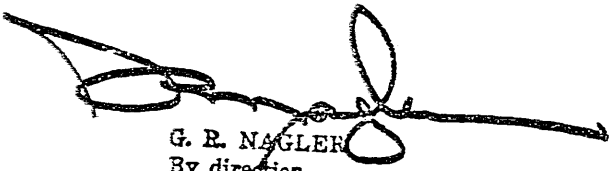
Ref: (a) OPNAVNOTE 5450 ser 09B2E3/313893 of 12 Aug 83 (NOTAL)

Encl: (1) Mission and functions of the Naval Space Command

1. Purpose. To promulgate the functions to be performed by the Naval Space Command (NAVSPACECOM) in support of the mission promulgated by reference (a).

2. Status and Command Relationships. The Naval Space Command is a shore activity in an Active (Fully Operational) status. The Commander, NAVSPACECOM, is under the operational and administrative control of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) and is subject to the area coordination authority of the Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, to be exercised through the Commander, Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia. The CNO's coordinator for NAVSPACECOM is the Director, Navy Space Systems Division (OP-943), of the Command and Control Directorate (OP-094). Commander, NAVSPACECOM, will command the Headquarters and subordinate commands as assigned by the Chief of Naval Operations.

3. Action. In accomplishing the assigned mission, the Commander, Naval Space Command, shall ensure the performance of the functions set forth in enclosure (1). Additionally, COMNAVSPACECOM will advise the CNO (OP-943) of any recommended modifications to the mission and functions of the NAVSPACECOM.

  
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MISSION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE NAVAL SPACE COMMAND

1. Mission To command assigned Naval shore activities. To provide direct support to fleet units worldwide as well as other agencies as directed by higher authority. To provide, operate and maintain adequate Naval space resources and personnel; to coordinate Naval requirements for the use of existing space capabilities and resources; to support mission development for current and future space activities. To identify and forward facilities and systems requirements; to propose resource allocations for inclusion in the planning, programming and budgeting system; to coordinate the execution of approved space programs; and to exercise command and support authority over Naval space systems on a Naval Service-wide basis in support of national maritime strategy, and to perform such other functions as may be directed by higher authority.

2. Functions. To accomplish this mission, the Commander, Naval Space Command (COMNAVSPACECOM), shall:

a. Exercise operational and administrative control of NAVSPACECOM, provide professional and technical services to the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) as requested, and make recommendations on any proposals concerning NAVSPACECOM.

b. Provide responsive and effective space support to Naval forces in peace, crisis, or war.

c. Coordinate directly with the Fleet Commanders in Chief on operational space matters.

d. Coordinate with the Defense Communications Agency (DCA) and COMNAVTELCOM on Navy satellite communications requirements, present and future, as determined by CNO. Act as the principal point of contact for DCA to ensure the maximum satisfaction of Navy satellite communications needs.

e. Provide technical assistance to the operating forces of the Navy.

f. Develop plans, programs, and budgets for current and future space resource requirements to support Naval space operations and activities including NAVSPACECOM.

g. Review and appraise the implementation of Navy space plans, programs, and budgets.

h. Act as Operational Manager for all space systems for which the DoN is Executive Agent, and coordinate with the U.S. Air Force and other Defense and national agencies on space matters (less intelligence functions).

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i. Provide operational management of the Fleet Satellite Communications (FLTSATCOM) satellites, the GAFILLER communications satellites and any follow-on communications satellites, either leased or owned. Act as the principal Navy authority for coordination of matters related to normal operational management of Navy communications satellite systems.

j. Provide operational and administrative management of the Transit satellite system through the Director, Strategic Systems Project.

k. Operate and maintain command and control facilities for space operations.

l. Exercise leadership in the Navy to maintain a high level of awareness among Naval personnel concerning space matters.

m. Ensure the development of personnel management programs to provide adequate numbers of space-qualified personnel in necessary fields of specialization through education and training, and to guarantee equal opportunity for professional advancement.

n. Coordinate with external organizations and evaluate the adequacy of their support to naval space efforts.

o. Coordinate and direct operational and intelligence matters within the Command and assigned activities.

p. Ensure the adequacy and readiness of NAVSPACECOM to support Navy, Joint, and Combined plans and policies.

q. Maintain the capability to perform inspections, investigations, and audits of Headquarters and assigned activities to ensure compliance with standards established by the Department of the Navy.

r. Ensure the adequacy and availability of personnel and facilities to provide quality-of-life support for assigned personnel and their dependents.

s. Classify material up to and including the level of Top Secret.

t. Serve as an effective instrument of U.S. foreign policy by initiating and continuing action programs which promote positive relations between the Command and foreign nationals, and which assist individual Naval personnel and their families to work effectively, live with dignity and satisfaction, and function as representatives of the Navy and of the United States while overseas.